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IT IS MATERIALIZING.

One of the first things required of the Rapid Transit Commissioners by the act ness. concerning that method of transportation is that they shall state whether the city needs it or not. The four Commissioners who met yesterday answered this affirmatively in about half a second.

Another requirement of the Rapid Transit grave question. act is that a working plan for it and a company organized to undertake it shall both be perfected within ninety days after | won't carry them. the Board has been organized. This clause will put the Commissioners on their mettle. for it leaves no time for dawdling over the

The Commissioners have decided to have a meeting for the public on the afternoon of the 15th of this month in Steinway Hall, when they will hear suggestions from any citizen in regard to the location of the route or the plans for construction.

This is taking hold of the thing in the right way. Energy, prudence and decision are the qualities looked for in the Commissioners. It is no bagatelle to have the or dering of a project so vast as Rapid Transit in New York. The office of a Commissioner is no sinecure. Happily, the gentlemen charged with setting this great undertaking on foot are endowed with the brain and stamina which should lend to a felicitous accomplishment of their purpose.

MR. ASION'S ENGAGEMENT.

Again has Dame Rumor plighted the troth of the one marriageable Astor mals to the fair Miss Willing, of Philadelphia. The report has broken out like a rash two or three times before. These several times it has reared its beautiful head only to shrivel almost as soon as the wondrous beauty of such an alliance was seen and marvelled at.

Experience seems to prove that any man can marry. Some woman will take him But in the case of "JACKY" ASTOR the sentiment seems to prevail that any woman capable of entering into the bands of wedlock would jump at him.

The subject is one almost as momentous and enthralling as that other of whether "JACKT'S" mamma is Mrs. Aston, or only Mrs. WILLIAM ASTOR. It brings out all the truly democratic sentiment of our republican society. We are a great and simple people.

CONJUGAL DEVOTION.

The husband of the woman whose scalp was torn from her head has gladly offered his cuticle for repairing certain ravage which the accident has left in the skin of his wife. He gladly consents to having large patches of epidermis transferred from his arms and legs to the cranium of the partner of his joys.

This is an example which wives may hold up to their busbands as a proof of what matrimony may be in its perfect and beautiful flower. It is not often that the marital contract is carried out with such severe s in the "flesh of thy flesh" con

May the wife be duly proud of her bor rowed skin. It should be more precious t her than "patens of bright gold." It represents most practically a loyal, generous love on the part of her husband.

EUROPEAN WEATHER.

We need not complain of our Winter when we read the reports of transatlantic cold and snow and ice. Europe is in the grip of as merciless a Winter as it has known for years. Several instances are recorded of persons freezing to death. Vessels ice-bound in the ports and the coasts are stiff with the frozen element. Everywhere there is a great suf fering. What makes it worse is that in several of these countries the artificial means of combating severity of temperature are wofully deficient. We can really congratulate ourselves on the way we are

The Park authorities have done two good things. They have decided to allow skaters the use of the skating area in Cen tral Park until 11 o'clock in the evening This is one good thing. The other is that they considered the request of THE EVEN-ING WORLD that this should be accorded the people, and granted it with a swiftness of compliance that was breathlessly de

Such expeditiousness argues good judgment and a kindly interest in the people which is most creditable to the Park authorities.

Mr. Blaine—I'll give you an illustration. I worked for you in '8, new you turn in and work for me in '94. That's reciprocity.

Mr. Blaine—Bumpat I don't tulnk much of that subsine.

One Governor is a very usual and proper functionary of a full-fledged State. When there becomes more than one such officer to a single State embarrassing complicato a single State embarrassing complicawar threatening her on the one hand, has

William Smith, a policeman, has been arrested, charged with wife-murder. If the charge is proved he is a miserable criminal. But instances of defections on the part of certain individual members of the force should not reflect upon the body as a whole. There are plenty of honest, by C. I. HOOD & CO., Lowell, Mass. straightforward, faithful officers in the

numerous body of the metropolitan police, and they execrate business of this kind as much as any citizen.

Another bone-grafting experiment has een tried in which several inches of a dog's leg bone were inserted in the leg of a boy. The result of the first experiment o this kind has never been duly told. It should have been fully given to the public whether a failure or a success. This is a right of the public.

Speaker SHEEHAN has no enviable task in making up the committees of the Assembly. There are wheels within wheels in these nominations, and it is hard to satisfy opposing factions and interests.

Connecticut Democrats will declare their tate nominces elected, swear them in and then wait quietly for the courts to settle the dispute. Here is a leaf for the Republicans to turn down.

Five old persons have succumbed to an attack of the grip. It is decidedly unpleasant to see the malady still lingering a distasteful guest in our midst.

The census makes out 244,704 Indians in the United States This accounts for diversity of stories as to the present unpleasant

SPOTLETS.

It seems strange that an upright plane can len-

Indian graves on the plain are plain facts in At the dry-goods shops they give a woman a han

The "Toledo Blades" of Onio can be "broken

ust as easily as any other young blades.

The novel "One Summer" is not the tale of a ands they must not try to palm him off on the put

These barber championship cuttings are shea ontests of skill.

Good cents in the hospital boxes do not arguommon sense any more than nickels there. Action on the part of the militia is not ne

VACRANT VERSES.

The Jilted Lover's Agony.

Tamed. He used to drink of pleasure's cup And found it evert, no dount. He seldom with the lark got up, But oft on one was out.

There's now an end to all his fun
At night with gay carousers;
lie's married and his wire's the one,
They sa,, that wears the trousers.

Caps Cod Rem. Before the Baby Came.

There was a time when my discourse
Was wrenched not out of joint;
I did not shout till I was hearse, And point out every point; Nor thrice the came joke try to tell, and manuje it and main— My wife has time to listen well, Before the baby game!

There was a time when here and there I flitted like a bird.
My wife went with me everywhere,
Just when I said the word.
We saw the host race and the play,
We watened the baselsail game—
We had a free foot, as they say,
Before the baby came!

There was a time when I aloos
Was by my wife a lored.
I sat on the domestic throne.
The one and sovernian hird.
My crown a gone. Without a thank,
He takes my very name—
I've not a vestige of my rank
Before the baby came!
Before the baby came!



Limping Spook (who has

Charlie Was Smart. (From Harper's Basar.)
She...That's a curious match Pigott is about to m ke. They say the girl is a regular tom-

Not Favorably Impressed. Mr. Harrison-What's this "Reciprocity"

idea of yours, Jim? I don't exactly catch on

Your

three claimants for the Executive office quarrelling on the other. It is not a pleus-ant spectacle.

Is that scrotulous humor in your blood which manifests itself in festers sery time the skin is ant spectacle.

Is that scrotulous humor in your blood which manifests itself in festers sery time the skin is ant open to broken, or in hires, pimples, boile and other cruptions, causes sait rheim, or breaks occasional or continuous running sores Get Rid of it at Once, or some time when your system is weak it will become your master. Hood's Sarsatzarilla is the remedy which will purify your blood, expel all trace of disease and give you

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THE WAYS OF WOMAN FAIR.

Fads, Fashions and Fancies That Delight the Gentler Sex.

Black Silk Gowns Cheap and Elegant-Crepe Lisse Handkerchiefs Are Now the Rage - A Novelty in Fans-Something New in Black Capotes.

Black silk gowns are economical as well as atylish made with a yoke and sleeves of some cotored cloth, such as beliotrope or bottle green, or of a soft plaid combining white and hellotrope or green.



Sannel shirts \$1 a dozen. They are a paper on carving. He gives also spe-ouliged to find their own thread for the cial lists that prove his versatility as a overalls and shirts and carry the work to and gastronomic genius. For instance, he from the shop. If they take a street-car one- ranged 300 desserts most of which car

derful get up in the last act of Daly's new play, different styles of serving eggs. His gravy ... The Last Word," The dress itself is in a list includes ninety-one concoctions, and ditone of yellow between daffodil and corn color. rections are given for making forty The wig is quite red and the complexion is No hing is said about cost. Filippini frankly made up rather pink. The hat is brownish confessing that he has rellow and the gloves are tan.

lewelry firm was a copy of Webster's academic a course dinner for 16 cents and only a verdictionary, bound in sterilog silver, with a poor one for \$1.60. The work indicates care nonogram of the recipient on one cover and and thought, and is conceded to be the fines that of the giver, presumably, on the other.

In the line of handkerchiefs the most fashonable are made of crepe linne, with an embroldered edge and in every color imaginable, and it took me twenty-ave years to learn to from brilliant scarlet to pale Nile-green, and from jet black to clear white. Some very unique effects are produced by contrast of The black handkerchief is usually a square of silk muslin, with a full frill of tine black lace about it. Any girl can easily make one of these for herself. For every-day use the white handkerchief of lawn, with a narrow hemstitched border, a very parrow ope, and a inch wide, about it is preferred. Elaborate the initials of the owner in small letters, and in what is known as running-fashion, are

Roses are selling at 75 cents each and orchid

this fan is open it seems impossible that it can if stricken down by be closed without hopelessly crushing the delihas overcome all difficulties and the "rose fan" hind part before and his clart was a wreek; may be brought together like any other with but what of that? Like a flash it came to perfect impunity. Another novelty has the woodsticks graduated in size and telegible the woodsticks graduated in size and telegible the properties of which the had scoffed—God help length, exclusively carved and deligible the had scoffed—God help length, exclusively carved and deligible the had scoffed—God help length, exclusively carved and deligible to the properties of which had believed so strangely that Mand suspected bith of being a burglar's spy. The man had the fan is made. Of feather tans, of which there is an infinite variety, those of long full come again—even now, perhaps—ostrica plumes, set on sticks of finest polished too late!" tortoise shell, or of carefully selected mother somest and most fa-hionable. A recent fancy, which is very much like painting the diff, is that of painting flowers on the white plumes of these fans. The material most used for fans is a delicate silk gauge. This is oftenest mointed on siles. silk gauze. This is oftenest mounted on sticks of enamelled wood and is quite pain or ornamented with insets of lace or with painted designs, some of which are the work of eminent arrived saved with nature's weapons, but arrived saved with nature's weapons, but to for a moment did he failer.

"You're too late," said Mand, with a The car rattled and clattered along and all the passengers gazed into upward value. slik gauze. This is oftenest mounted on sticks eers, is a favorite material for fans, and buy-ers can please themselves as to prices in these as in gauze fans, as there is the widest oppor-tunity for choice in this respect.

"What—where is he?" he gasped, looking

The newest black capotes affected by girls with fair and golden hair are ornamented on the front with two veivet horns stuffed with cotton wool to keep them in position, the whole idea being copied from pictures of Bacchus accompanied by a group of drands, and the effect, when one recovers from the breathless ness of the surprise, is piquant and pleasing. Another odd little fad is the employment of a oup of excessively light tenthers, with no mid rib to them, of the exact color of the surveying party) - Hesp nice flask, no good! wearer's hair. The little bunch is placed under Don't hold. Waugh! the extreme front of the capote and above it in such a manner that it waves about, or would it atmospheric influence did not destroy its curl

Swans filled with flowers for dinner-table decoration are new this season. They can be boy—citimus trees and all that sort of thing. He Humph i That's why he likes her. He to obtained in several colors and vary much in rooms are on the fifth floor—no cievator.

Size. A single large swan may be caused for size. A single large swan may be chosen for the centre of the board, or several smoller ones, placed about the table as one's taste directs, may be preferred. They are very striking when standing on a table mirror,

The most curious hat-rack we ever saw, says Unholsterer, is tachiened to re-resent an old wooden a mp-post attached to the corner of a country fence, about three feet wide; sticking out of the jost and feace are hat and coat pegs, and perched upon the top is a cat with back uplifted, spitting at a backing pur below her. The animal flaures are done in lire-size and presumably bronze; the fence and lamppost are in oak and in close reproduction of just what some old country fence and corner ismp-post look like, even to the old-fashioned fron lamp which surmounts the top.

Surely there is room for reform in the matrimonial relations, for financially the wife has no protection. Men are not insuring their will Stain Old & New Furniture Farnish lives now as formerly. The custom seems to will Stain Class and Chinaware of the have gone out of fashion, and as the position will Stain Tinware of wife is one that has no salary attached she will Stain your Old Baskets is forced to take the chances that he between will Stain Baby's Coach and fortune and the poorhouse. Look at the men -great and good men-of affairs who have died within the last ten years and left widows upprovided for-Henry Ward

Beecher, Gen. Custer, Chief Justice Miller Sunset Cox, Boucleault, Henry W. Grady, Gen. Custer, Gen. W. W. Belknap, et al. Even great soldiers like Sheridan and Logan left the nation the duty of providing for their families, and but for the heroic efforts at the last of



authority on the science and art of

cooking in America. Previous to his publica-

tion the honors were divided among Miss Juliet

Corson, Miss Parios, Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs.

Rorer. Now a king roles the field. Filip-

pini's idea is variety. He worked five years on his book in order to prepare a different menu for each day in the year and each meal markable is the self-evident fact that each dish mentioned in every breakfast, luncheon and dinner, and the whole 365 days. is in the market any time you choose to select it, affording relief from wondering what to get and what is in season. Aside from the daily menus there are more elaborate ones arranged for holidays and social events, M. Filippini, mindful of the small families prevalent in There are thousands and thousands of wives America, deals in little portions, the largest and mothers in New York who make ends dish serving only six persons. The work meet by sewing on overalls that pay 75 cents, contains 1,500 recipes, prepared from cents, vests 95cents, trousers \$3, actual trial previous to writing, and tenth of their earnings is gone. The story of be prepared with fresh or preserved many a woman's life is the story of a struggle. fruits. His soups number 134, he gives thirty-three ways of cooking potatoes, forty ways of preparing chicken and 102 to compete with the teachers and pupils of the fashionable and philanthropic co One of the special orders left a Broadway schools, for the reason that he cannot get up book ever added to the kitchen library. In speaking about the labor it represent M. Filippini said "it took a typewriter five days to prepare the copy for the publisher

LOST FOREVER.

cook well enough to attempt the work."

Papa George's Opportunity to Se the Baby in a New Role.

It was on a Sabbath morn, and George Murgatroyd had just turned over to sleep fine frill of lace-Valenciennes-not half an again after making his sixth resolution to get up, says Drake's Magazine. But the cry, she said:

"I haven't handled many checks, but

parents', care.

one of the late novelties in the natural hues of the flower and the other of delicate gauge. When flower and the other of delicate pauze. When heart. Still, she could not cry out like that "George! Why don't you come? Come cately curling petals, but the clever designer. Come ?"

In his frantic haste he had on his trousers.

fortoise shell, or of carefully selected mother What were collar-buttons now that he of pearl of one shade of color, are the hand-should search for them? With one bound

around with an awful faintness at the

The Natural Reason. 1 From Pack.1 "Why do they call them "fountain pens?" e. Oh, I suppose, because they are forever verflowing !"

Ine Sponge is Mightler than the Brush.



and use a Sponge and water, which will keep your SHOES BRIGHT and CLEAN if you use The women know a good thing and will have 4, and the men ought to.

MOLEY & HANDOLPH, Philadelphia

Handsome Capt. Smith, who for so musy years walked the quarter deck of the police boat Patrol, can be seen almost daily in the neighborhood of Twenty-ninth street and Gen. Grant and Jefferson Davis their widows Fourth avenue, as he goes to and from the would have been dependent. Surely it is Broadway Squad station. He is as handsome meet and just that the wives and mothers of as ever and one cannot help turning around to America be insured against the loss of busband admire his military mustache and martial bearing.

I ran across Mr. R. L. Newcome the othe day, and he is now running a detective agency for himself, and there is no better hereabout When I first knew him, fifteen years ago, be was employed in the United States Secre Service, and there was no cleverer man in the corps. I understand that he is doing unusually well, and don't know any one who deserved success more. The workings of New York's great detective system might prove interesting to those not interested. We always hear of its victories,

but it is not often that we get any

happened in an uptown club-house

onth ago. The Central Office was notified.

etective was sent to see the notifier and

learned the details of the theit. Two weeks

information. A sneak robbery

later two detectives called at the Club and made a few inquiries, and here the story ends In the rushing crowds in this big city ever an ex-President of the United States, a man fun of these English sticks, but they have their whose name is constantly before the public, Grover Cleveland, is lost, despite the con spicuous proportions of his portly figure. was a passenger to the same L train the other day with Mr. Cleveland, and I specially noted the number of persons who appeared to recognize his distinguished presence. He sat in an extreme end seat of the car, deeply engrosses in a newspaper. Passengers entered and left at every station, and how many do you sup-pose identified the ex-President? Only one, and that was a woman.

I dropped in to see the Steckler Brothers to their new law offices on the second floor of the Pulitzer Building to-day, and was struck with the contrast between their palatial new quar ters and the old bernlike offices which they formerly occupied in Centre street. The old offices weren't much to look at, but there they gained a practice which has made them wealthy.

A FINANCIER IN SKIRTS.

Illustration of What a Woman Don' Know of Business Methods.

The knowledge that some women possess of business and finance is astonishing, says the Kansas City Times.

And then again the knowledge that some romen do not possess on the selfsame Crime, ' an' we want you t' stick your head up opic is still more astonishing. There is one peculiar thing about a Tubby-What for? woman's business tact and talent, however

Tommy-Th' moon. It doesn't seem to matter how bright she may be, as soon as a check gets into the ransaction she is in deep water.

I had occasion this morning to pay a bill of \$7.50, and, with the air of a man proud of the fact that a thinly clad collector did

not have to wear out four pairs of shoes chasing him, I walked into the store and handed out a check for the amount of th The young woman looked at both sides of he check and studied it carefully, reading

it as if it were a continued love story. She "I don't know about this."

Thinking that she meant to cast some reflection on the value of the check, I was just getting myself into shape to retaliate, when a smile came over the young woman's

came from the room below banished sleep instantly.

It was his wife's voice—the dear girl whom he had taken from a parent's, or rather two parents', care.

said in a very sweet way:
"Thank you very much."
This left me with my bill receipted and a check for \$7.50. In other words I was \$7.50 ahead in the transaction. I explained the situation to the young woman, but from the vacant look on her face it was easy to story in part a few minute ater to a cynical newspaper man, and he

emarked "That shows what a woman knows show Did you give the check back?

"Yes."
"Well, it seems to me that that shows what you know about business," was his next remark, made in a disgusted tone.

SAT UNDER THE SIGN.

Why a Pretty Dude Left the Car In a Hurry.

He was a real pretty young man and he

cancy, like all cable car passengers do Finally a fair maiden who sat opposite the young man saw something and giggled, "I wanted you to see the baby," said she, in a disappointed voice, "He had his foot in his mouth, and you've no idea how cunning he looked."

after the fashion of her kind. Then she looked at the nice young man and giggled again, then she nudged her fair companion, and the fair companion. car, looked at the young man, and giggled. A small boy followed their looks, stared at something over the young man's head, and

then shorted. All this annoyed the nice young man, who ad been looking very wise, and when two had been looking very wise, and when two or three other passengers joined in the chorus he began to wigele and quit looking wise. The laughing increased, and grew and spread, and the nice young man grew desperate. He got up to see what it was over his head that caused the unseemly cachination. He found it. It was one of those big cardboard signs that adorn cable cars. It was printed in his black letters It was printed in big black letters

"The young man sitting beneath this card is one of our customers. He is very fussy and hard to please, but my, isn't he an elegant dressed? He has on a pair of our \$3 neats?" our \$3 pants." The nice young man left the car, left it in haste, in anger, leaving behind him some very naughty words that smelt of sluphur.

No Blots on the Escutcheon. (From Puck.) "But you have no ancestors, ye know!" said "No;" replied Miss Lakeview. "We have

[From the Chicago Tribune.] "is it true that the Business Hustlers' Club black balled old Kadger?" "Yes. He's not much of a business man, leen c siter of a bank for nineteen years and man't a thing to show for it except his salary,"

Hardly Eligible.

A Private Word to Women. I have been a sufferer from painful menstruation for seven or eight years. I used Dr. Greene's Nor-vars. It acted this mayte. Why do women suffer when Dr. Greene's Nervara will surely cure them? I think it is splendid.
MISS PAULINE REISER. 407 West 23d st., New York City.

SAVED.

[From Puch.]

A Cry-Man (7) overboard!

uses, bah Jove!

theatricals?

Tubby (delighted)-You bet I do.

Tommy-All right; come round to the har

A New Experience for Him.

[From Judge,]

Mrs. Lettuce-Wast on airth makes yer walk

Either This or Starvation.

Merely Wanted Information.

Sister Gertie-Roger, what do you mean b

Little Roger (who has appeared all too and,

denit)-I teard massay you'd been fishing for Mr. Waverly a long time, and I not wanted to ask if that was a fishing-smack I heard.

A Mongolian Delicacy.

[From Judge,]

Mrs. Sansome-I thought I sent you out t

As Far as Her Mind Went,

Miss Highmind-What did you think of Sig-

Miss Giddygiri-Oh, I thought his mustache

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nor Travello, the new tenor?

was simply stunning!

the barn to hunt eggs.

so proud. Nathantel?

Charley Litewayte-It's all very well to mak

A Leading Part.

THE BLACKSNAKES. HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

They Are Born Fighters, and Rattle-

Story of a Woman's Fatal Encounter

and it is so well known and is told with so much solemnity and evident fear by the

bred and unused to many of the hardships that are part of the farming woman's life. She was strong and hardy, however, with plenty of nerve and grit enough to make the best of things.

One day, while her husband was working in a clearing a good distance from the house, she went down to a spring for a pail

of water. As she stooped over to fill the pail, a blacksnake, that had been lying coiled near the spring, jumped at her.

She screamed and jumped back, but the snake had buried its fungs in her dress, and before she could recover herself sufficiently to shake him off he had wound himself about her so tightly as to present her from

Tommy-Say, Tubby, wanter join on

about her neck.

This story, with the well-known fact that a blacksnake is ever ready and willing to fight anything that lives, makes the native airaid of him, and the man who kills a o-night. We're goin' to play 'A Moonlight blacksnake is thought to have won a greater battle that the slayer of a dozen rattle-"You can't frighten a blacksnake," said one old hunter, "and the more you try to the more he ain't frightened. A rattlesnake is a coward, and will run if you give him half a chance. If he doesn't get the chance

Il rattle in fear, and then strike in des-"A rattlesnake's bite is not nearly so dangerous as many people suppose. All that you have to do to render the wound barmt thoroughly. A common poultice will soon heal the wound made by your knife.

HE GOT A PARAGON.

But for Various Reasons Did Not Retain Her. A lady went into a registry office, says the

faced girl there said to her : " Have you any objection to the country?" Girl (politely)-None at all, madam.

Birmingham Mercury, and sceing a pleasant-

Mr. Pee-lley—I'm softening some of these biscults that your mother told you how to have; between times hake. so as to have plenty of opportunity to rest

between times.

Lady—I am delighted.

Stranger (suddenly entering)—Sorry to interrupt you, madam, but you are conversing with one of my patients who has just escaped from the Hopelessly Incurable Lunatic Asylum.

Now See Her Come. [Iron Munsey's Weekly.]
Nicolini (to Patti)-Now is your time for ther farewell tour of the States. Patri - Why now?
'You can charge double former prices and stribute it to the new tariff."

A Warning. [From the Epoch.]
Gushington-You are the light of my life? HENRY VINCENT, OF JERSEY CITY, TELLS A STORY WITH A

He Tells How He Was Rescued from a Life of Misery and Torture by Docto Met oy and Wildman, and Given a New

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are frequently seen on cigars indicate a superior quality of leaf. I want to dispel that idea. "The pure natural leaf in its yellow has undoubtedly the finest tobacco in the market. But so many accidents conspire to render the finest leaves scarce that even "But if a big blacksnake tackles you, and you give him a chance to get one coil about your body, why, then look out, for it is your life or his." the natural leaf is imitated. Coarse leaves

the natural leaf is imitated. Coarse leaves
t are bleached by the use of chlorine to the
yellow color of the natural leaf, and sulphurie acid properly diluted will produce
the little freckles you so often see. So,
don't ever be misled by the freckled cigan.
"But the men who chew are in even more
t danger of being poisoned than those who
smoke. The real nice plug, with the pretty
pleces of tin on it, which looks so inviting,
is soaked with all kinds of vile stuff. I
know of a factory where New England rum
is used to sprinkle the tobacco used to make
plug; another where Jamaica rum is put on
to flavor it, and also another where the
rankest kind of corn whiskey is used. rankest kind of corn whiskey is used.

Uncomplimentary.

think she could have intended to slight you. Fanny-What! when she sent in vitations to everybody but me.
Jenny-Maybe it was an oversight, you Belic-Yes, Fanny, and then, you know, and may have thought you would come anyhow.

"What does that look like?" asked Dim mick, as he exhibited his clothes badly tors

NEW YORK HERALD

It advances into the New Year with another spiendid llustrated issue, containing, besides all the news of the

lobe, suca features as RIOT ON SKATES! Shewing how all New York is enjoying the present Stat-

TOLSTOPS GREAT PLAY "The fruits of Science," being the intest preduction of the eccentric Ressian. STORY BY OCTAVE THANET, As well as the escond instalment of Black's new seria

Denaid Ross of Heimra." ADIRONDACKS' SPORTS. Fun for Ladies and invalids, with the mercury forty be-

SEWARD WEBB'S HORSE FARM

Map of January Stars. Antiquities in our Libraries. Skaters made into Living Ships. Oddities from an old Herbal. More Secrets from Medium Moss' Cabinet, etc., etc.

snakes are Less Terrible.

with One of the Species.

Ask any of the farmers or bunters in this part of Monroe County whether they are afraid of rattlesnakes and they will answer promptly that they don't mind them very much, says a letter to the Philadelphia Ledger. Ask them if they fear blacksnakes and they will say yes without the slightest hesitation.

This fear of blacksnakes has come down to most of them from their parents with a story that none of them is ever tired of telling. They all declare that it is true, and it is so well known and it old with so much soldennity and exident tends of them. In the most of them, and they work allows the classical particular that they consult them. I was made and not the work of the parents with a story that none of them is ever tired of telling. They all declare that it is true, and it is so well known and it to be obtained and they was allowed the soldennity and exident them. So well and the was allowed the soldennity and exident them are the sold was allowed the soldennity and exident the soldennity and exident the sold with so much soldennity and exident them. So well known and it to be worn and sound as ever it was all honor to them. So well a was a soldent the soldennity and exident the sold with so much all the soldennity and exident the sold with so much all the soldennity and exident the soldennity

natives that it is hard to disbelieve it. The story runs like this:

Many years ago a well-to-do farmer lived with his family near the barren land verging on Pike County. His wife was city bred and unused to many of the hardships

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to shake him off he had wound himself about her so tightly as to prevent her from walking. Then he began slowly to crawi upward. The poor woman struck at the snake with her hands.

They were badly bitten, but she was so overcome with fright that she did not mind this, and kept on striking at him.

The serpent kept crawling up until his colls were about her breast. She tried to tear him loose, but she was not strong enough. She became nearly paralyzed with terror. The snake finally coiled himself around her neck and choked her.

She started towards the bouse, but she had only gone a short distance when she fell. In the evening she was found by her husband lying dead, with the snake still coiled about her neck.

randum book from his pocket and read the "Valerie, acetic, butyric, formic, proprionic, prussic and carbolic acids, creosote, ammonia, sulphureted hydrogen, pyridene,

"Isn't that enough to make a man stop smoking !" said the collector. "All those acids are found in a pure cigar. What then must be found in the adulterated article? Connoisseurs imagine the little freckles that

Girl—The more the merrier.

Lady—Seven children; two of them quite small.

Girl—Hove little children.

Lady—It will be necessary for you to clean the boos, wash, and get the meals. I attend to the pastry and certain other work myself.

Girl—I will also make the pastry and do the rest if you will allow me.

Lady—I cannot give you any more than three aftermoons out of each month.

Girl—One will be sufficient, perhaps more

three afternoons out of each month.

Girl—One will be sufficient, perhaps more than I shall want, as my plan is to give strict attention to my household duties and strict attention to my household duties and thus get the work done promptly every day, swear he saw the South Carolinian take a search was always at a cigar that from its odor was simply execrable, and the hotel clerk will be a swear he saw the South Carolinian take a search was always at a cigar that from its odor was simply execrable, and the hotel clerk will be a swear he saw the South Carolinian take a search was planted to the same always at a cigar that from its odor was simply execrable, and the hotel clerk will be sufficient, perhaps more than I shall want, as my plan is to give simply execrable, and the hotel clerk will be sufficient, perhaps more than I shall want, as my plan is to give simply execrable, and the hotel clerk will be sufficient, perhaps more than I shall want, as my plan is to give simply execrable, and the hotel clerk will be sufficient, perhaps more than I shall want, as my plan is to give simply execrable, and the hotel clerk will be sampled to the sample of hour before he told what it contained.

It Was Damaged.



